

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES

February 23, 2010

The City Council of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in a special session at 5:35 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building on the 23rd day of February, 2010, and notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at the Municipal Building at 201 West Gray, and the Norman Public Library at 225 North Webster 48 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

PRESENT:	Councilmembers Atkins, Butler, Cubberley, Dillingham, Ezzell, Griffith, Kovach, Quinn, Mayor Rosenthal
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ABSENT:	None
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Item 1, being:

CONSIDERATION OF DETERMINING, UPON ADVICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL, THAT DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS WILL SERIOUSLY IMPAIR THE ABILITY OF THE PUBLIC BODY TO CONDUCT LITIGATION, PROCESS THE CLAIM, OR PROCEED IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST WHEN CONSIDERING A CLAIM FROM CENTRAL OKLAHOMA MASTER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT AND THE LAWSUIT OF CHRISTINE STEVENS VS. THE CITY OF NORMAN, CLEVELAND COUNTY DISTRICT COURT CASE NO. CJ-2006-1781L AND TO ADJOURN OUT OF THE SPECIAL SESSION AND CONVENE INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ORDER TO HAVE CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS WITH ITS ATTORNEY AS AUTHORIZED BY TITLE 25 OKLAHOMA STATUTES, SECTION 307(B)(4).

Councilmember Kovach determined, upon advice of legal counsel, that disclosure of confidential communication will seriously impair the ability of the public body to conduct litigation, process the claim, or proceed in the public interest when considering a claim from Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and the lawsuit of Christine Stevens vs. the City of Norman, Cleveland County District Court Case No. CJ-2006-1781L, and moved to adjourn out of the Special Session and convene into an Executive Session in order to have confidential communications with its attorney, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Cubberley; and the question being upon determining, upon advice of legal counsel, that disclosure of confidential communication would seriously impair the ability of the public body to conduct litigation, process the claim, or proceed in the public interest when considering a claim from Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and the lawsuit of Christine Stevens vs. the City of Norman, Cleveland County District Court Case No. CJ-2006-1781L, upon the subsequent adjournment and convening, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Councilmembers Atkins, Butler, Cubberley, Dillingham, Ezzell, Griffith, Kovach, Quinn, Mayor Rosenthal
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NAYES:	None
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The Mayor declared the motion carried and it was determined, upon advice of legal counsel, that disclosure of confidential communication would seriously impair the ability of the public body to conduct litigation, process the claim, or proceed in the public interest when considering a claim from Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and the lawsuit of Christine Stevens vs. the City of Norman, Cleveland County District Court Case No. CJ-2006-1781L; the Special Session adjourned out of and an Executive Session was convened into.

The City Council adjourned into Executive Session at 5:36 p.m. Mr. Jeff Bryant, City Attorney, Ms. Kathryn Walker, Ms. Leah Messner, and Ms. Jeanne Snider, Assistant City Attorneys; Mr. Steve Lewis, City Manager, and Mr. Ken Komiske, Director of Utilities, were in attendance at the Executive Session.

Item 1, continued:

Thereupon, Mayor Rosenthal acknowledged return to open session and Councilmember Quinn moved the Special Session be reconvened, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Butler; and the question being upon reconvening the Special Session, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Councilmembers Atkins, Butler, Cubberley, Dillingham, Ezzell, Griffith, Kovach, Quinn, Mayor Rosenthal
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NAYES:	None
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The Mayor declared the motion carried and the Special Session was reconvened at 6:18 p.m.

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The Mayor said a claim from Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and the lawsuit of Christine Stevens vs. the City of Norman, Cleveland County District Court Case No. CJ-2006-1781L were discussed in Executive Session. No action was taken and no votes were cast.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilmember Kovach moved that the meeting be adjourned, which motion was duly seconded by Councilmember Cubberley; and the question being upon adjournment of the meeting, a vote was taken with the following result:

YEAS:	Councilmembers Atkins, Butler, Cubberley, Dillingham, Ezzell, Griffith, Kovach, Quinn, Mayor Rosenthal
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NAYES:	None
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The Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor